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Applicant: Rosario Maggio et al.  
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Confirmation No.: 6025  
Title: DEVICE FOR OPENING AND DISTRIBUTING A  
BUNDLE OF FILAMENTS WHEN PRODUCING A  
NONWOVEN TEXTILE WEB  
Examiner: Joseph S. Del Sole  
Docket No.: 34051 - Customer No. 00116

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FR 2 309 654; U.S. Patent No. 6,117,801 corresponds with WO 98/44176; U.S. Patent No. 5,702,730 corresponds with DE 195 18 895 A1; U.S. Patent No. 5,460,500 corresponds with DE 43 12 419 A1; U.S. Patent No. 5,225,018 corresponds with O 453,564 B1; U.S. Patent 5,814,349 corresponds with DE 196 20 379 A1; and U.S. Patent 5,397,413 corresponds with EP 0 635 077 B1.

It is requested that the publications noted herein be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the examination of this application.

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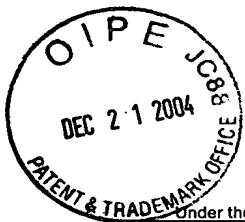
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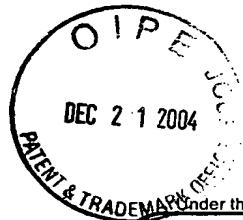
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